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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Consolidation Options

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1. [] stopped by this afternoon to discuss an additional option for consolidation of the fleets, which he will forward as Option #5. He has talked briefly with Carl Duckett on the subject. He proposes that Option #5 provide for retaining six aircraft in SAC and five in the Agency, but changing responsibilities in order that they could be handled more efficiently.

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2. The Agency would retain its present responsibilities, except for having planes available for covert deployment. They would also pick up both the Cuban photographic missions []

3. SAC would retain the Southeast Asia responsibility, with four aircraft, and keep two at Davis-Monthan for training, etc. In the event of a covert deployment, these two aircraft would be made immediately available to the Agency.

4. It is requested that D/Ops provide comments on this proposal, in coordination with D/M, Security, and other concerned organizations, relative to the viability of this proposal. We are not hung up on the location of planes as suggested [] but only are concerned with the number of airplanes in each fleet and the jobs given to SAC and the Agency.

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USAF review(s) completed.

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5. It is now proposed that the EXCOM discuss this subject on 13 or 14 July, and it would therefore be appreciated if we could have preliminary discussions by COB 2 July, or, at the latest, 6 July.

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Deputy Director of Special Activities

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